



Express Mail Label No. EU877858432US Dated: September 16, 2003

#13/B
here B
10/10/B
Docket No.: 08204/100S025-US1
(Formerly 50002.2USU1)
(PATENT)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

RECEIVED

SEP 23 2003

Technology Center 2600

In re Patent Application of:
Skene et al.

Application No.: 09/459,815

Art Unit: 2739

Filed: December 13, 1999

Examiner: April L. Baugh

For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR BALANCING
LOAD DISTRIBUTION ON A WIDE AREA
NETWORK

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

UNDER 37 CFR §1.114

MAIL STOP RCE
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is an amendment in response to a final Office Action mailed on June 16, 2003, for the above-identified application. Accompanying this amendment is a request for continued examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114. In the subject application, please amend and reconsider the application in view of the remarks that follow.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 17 of this paper.

{S:\JLWMISC\00000325.DOC *JLWMISC* }